

ANDREWS GOVERNMENT 2014 ELECTION COMMITMENT	COMMENTS	HALF TIME SCORE
Cattle Grazing in Alpine National Park 'Labor will, once again, ban cattle grazing in the Alpine and Red Gum National Park.'	<i>Legislation passed in 2015 closed the loophole on cattle grazing, hopefully once and for all.</i>	✓
Privatising National Parks "...we will not allow large scale private development in our national parks and will remove the Government's ability to grant 99 year leases'.	<i>Legislation passed in 2015 removed the capacity for 99 leases in 2/3 of the parks estate.</i>	✓
Pt Nepean '...immediately review the lease to determine its legal status, look to use any powers of the Parliament to disallow it where possible'. 'Labor will, again, protect Point Nepean for all Victorians and seek to ensure it remains open to all Victorians.'	<i>Lease over the Quarantine Station at Point Nepean National Park to a private developer lapsed. A new master plan commenced with draft to be released on 5 December 2016.</i>	✓
State of the Bays Report 'An Andrews Labor Government will undertake a five-yearly State of the Bay report to monitor the health of coasts, bays and waterways.'	<i>First report on Port Phillip and Western Port expected to be released in early December 2016.</i>	✓
National Parks Funding 'Labor will provide \$5 million to upgrade and provide new facilities in our parks and reserves across the state.'	<i>\$5 million delivered in 2015, with additional \$10 million + funding in 2016 and further allocation from Parks & Reserves Trust. However, Parks funding was at chronically low levels, so more is needed.</i>	✓
Waterways "...develop a strategy to improve our riparian land and river ways'.	<i>Regional Riparian Action Plan completed and significant funds invested to commence fencing of riparian land.</i>	✓
New Parks '...establish a new Canadian State Park'.	<i>The new park established on the outskirts of Ballarat in 2016.</i>	✓
Protecting Marine & Coasts 'We will establish a new Marine and Coastal Act, bringing together all management and protections under the one system'.	<i>Expert panel appointed and discussion paper released for public comment in 2016. Draft legislation expected in 2017</i>	➔
Protecting Threatened Species "...will review the Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act'.	<i>Some initial consultation meetings held. Discussion paper expected in late 2016 or early 2017.</i>	➔
Protecting Nature '...institute a state wide biodiversity strategy to protect our habitats for future generations'.	<i>Series of consultations and a draft strategy released in early 2016. Final strategy expected in early 2017.</i>	➔
Native Vegetation '...review the new native vegetation regulations so they can sensibly protect sensitive vegetation'.	<i>A review of native vegetation clearing regulations established with an independent chair and public consultation. Approach has improved, but probably doesn't go far enough. Final revised regulation expected in later 2016 or early 2017.</i>	➔
Additions to Parks '...incorporate the Anglesea Heath into the Otway National Park'.	<i>Underway. Legislation expected to add the 7,000 ha of unique Anglesea Heathlands to Great Otway National Park in late 2016 or early 2017.</i>	➔
Great Forest National Park 'Labor strongly supports a consensus approach in the establishment of any new national parks ... A Labor Government will consider any reasonable recommendations and proposals reached by consensus of the major stakeholders through the Industry Task Force, but will not impose solutions.'	<i>A Forest Industry Taskforce (FIT) has been established and has so far produced a statement of intent. It has failed to date to significantly slow logging of high-conservation-value forests, but has commenced some supporting works such as a VEAC assessment of forest values. Slow moving.</i>	➔

Excellent; commitment delivered	✓
Done; more needed	✓
Underway; good progress	➔
Not started or much more to do	✗